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FOLLOWING TELEGRAM SENT ACTION NIACT IMMEDIATE BEIRUT INFO
SECSTATE FROM NICOSIA 17 JUL 74 IS REPEATED TO YOU
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SUBJECT: W/W KELLY SUTTON

FOR AMBASSADOR GODLEY OR DCM HOUGHTON FROM DAVIES

1. IN COURSE OF FIGHTING IN NICOSIA, KELLY SUTTON, SIX-YEAR-
OLD DAUGHTER OF DAVID SUTTON, EMPLOYED AT THE DEPARTMENT'S
REGIONAL RELAY SITE, HIT BY STRAY BULLET WHICH ENTERED
FACE BY EAR AND TORE PATH FROM EAR THROUGH MOUTH REMOVING
PORTION OF LIP ON EXIT. DOCTOR HERE SAYS WHILE CHILD
UNCOMFORTABLE AND IS BEING FED INTRA-VENOUSLY SINCE SHE
UNWILLING SWALLOW, SHE CAN BE MOVED EITHER TO AKROTIRI FOR
MED EVAC OR BEIRUT. SOME PLASTIC SURGERY WILL BE NECESSARY
PROBABLY AT SOME LATER TIME.

2. MY PRINCIPAL CONCERN IS THAT CONTINUED FIRING IN AREA
EMBASSY AND CLINIC HAS CHILD AND MOTHER IN EXTREMELY AGITATED
STATE AND I BELIEVE THEIR REMOVAL FROM CYPRUS DESIRABLE.
KELLY TERROR-STRICKEN UNLESS SEDATED. BRITISH RELUCTANT
PERMIT LANDING US MILITARY AIRCRAFT IN SBAS AT THIS TIME
SINCE CHILD'S CONDITION NOT CRITICAL.

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3. I SPOKE TO AMBASSADOR TAKIEDDINE THIS MORNING AND HE VOLUNTEERED TO SEEK PRIORITY FOR CHILD AND MOTHER ON FIRST AVAILABLE MEA FLIGHT BEIRUT. SINCE WE AND HE ARE STILL WITHOUT TELEPHONIC COMMUNICATIONS, MOVEMENT AT NIGHT DANGEROUS AND SINCE IT JUST ANNOUNCED AIRPORT WILL BE REOPENED AT 0600, REQUEST EMBASSY SEEK FROM MEA SPACE FOR MISS KELLY SUTTON, MRS. DAVID SUTTON, AND POSSIBLY, EMBASSY CONTRACT NURSE, MRS. IOANNIDOU ON FIRST MEA FLIGHT TO BEIRUT.

4. I HAVE SPOKEN TO PARENTS AND THEY WOULD LIKE CHILD MOVED TO AUB HOSPITAL WHERE SHE COULD BE EXAMINED AND TREATED UNTIL TRAVEL EITHER TO FRANKFURT OR US POSSIBLE.

5. IF EMBASSY CAN GET MEA GRANT PRIORITY ON HUMANITARIAN GROUNDS, REQUEST EMBASSY MEET SUTTONS, WITH AMBULANCE, ASSURE PROMPT ADMITTANCE AND EXAMINATION AUB HOSPITAL, AND ASSIST MRS. SUTTON WITH ONWARD TRAVEL ARRANGEMENT.

6. BRITISH MAY RECONSIDER IN WHICH EVENT I WILL NOTIFY YOU IMMEDIATELY. IN MEANTIME I WOULD GREATLY APPRECIATE ANYTHING YOU CAN DO TO ASSIST US. SIGNED DAVIES UNQUOTE.
GODLEY

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